## OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS



## MARSHALL COUNTY, IOWA

101 E. Main St Marshalltown, IA 50158 Phone (641) 754-6335

Commissioners: Tom Lamb, Chairman **Bob Grimes** Laurel Degelau

## **MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEETING** Regular Meeting - March 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Bob Grimes. Also in attendance were Commissioner Laurel Degelau, Director Kevin Huseboe, County Veterans Service Officer Shari Coughenour, and Supervisors Jarret Heil and Steve Salasek. Public Member present: Randy Kessler.

The Commissioners held a moment of silence to honor deceased Commissioner Tom Lamb.

Degelau moved to approve regular minutes dated January 12, 2023 and special minutes of January 26, 2023, second by Grimes. Motion carried 2-0.

Grimes accepted the nomination of Degelau to be chair of the Commission. Motion by Grimes to appoint Grimes as chair, second by Degelau. Motion carried 2-0.

Degelau moved to approve the claims, second by Grimes. Motion carried 2-0.

The commissioners discussed the procedure for filling the commission vacancy. State Code requires the Commissioners to work with the Board of Supervisors to fill vacancies on the commission. Huseboe has recruited Randy Kessler to fill the vacancy, pending approval of the commissioners and the Board of Supervisors. Kessler is an Air Force Veteran, Legion Member and past Post Commander, also affiliated with American Legion Riders and serves on several advisory committees. Degelau moved to appoint Randy Kessler to fulfill the remainder of Tom Lamb's term through December 31, 2024, second by Grimes. Motion carried 2-0. Supervisors Heil and Salasek thanked Kessler for accepting the appointment. and the board will approve the appointment at their next board meeting.

Director Huseboe reported on the May 3, 2023, food bank drive at Iowa Works. This event involves several agencies and JBS to provide veterans additional food support.

The Commission also discussed changing the meeting time of future meetings, and agreed that Wednesday at 1:00 PM works well for the commissioners. (postscript - The next meeting will be on April 5, 2023, at 1:00 PM due to the director's training schedule in Des Moines on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in April)

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Huseboo, Jusuh

Director